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## ALEXANDER WINS

BY A VOTE WHICH WAS WELL-NIGH UNANIMOUS.

The Central Railroad Passes Under New Management—How the Ballot Was Conducted—The Policy of the New Management Stated—No Bad Feeling on Either Side.

SAVANNAH, Ga., January 3.—[Special.]—Probably the most brilliant railroad fight ever made in the state was that which closed in Savannah today, resulting in the complete overthrow of the present management of the Central railroad, and the substitution of an entirely new management. The contest has been a long one, but today's result is a surprise to everybody. General E. P. Alexander, becomes president of the system by a majority which even his most sanguine supporters had no idea he would reach.

The polls are not yet closed, but at 9 o'clock to-night the ticket of directors headed by General Alexander has received over forty-three thousand share votes, out of a possible seventy-five thousand, while that of President Raoul has yet less than ten thousand votes; General Alexander's vote is a surprise to his most enthusiastic supporters. The Raoul ticket is not less surprised, but attribute the heavy vote of the opposition to the certainty of its success, which was developed early in the day. The new board will meet and organize tomorrow, when it will elect General Alexander president, the old board at once retiring, and at which was elected today taking charge.

## THE OPENING OF THE BATTLE.

The day opened very cold and windy, with the gossip of the election on the mouths of almost everybody in town. By the time the polls were open the large room of the Central railroad bank, at which place the election was held, was crowded with stockholders and interested spectators. It was the general opinion in the city last evening that the Alexander ticket would have a decided advantage in the vote today. This opinion was greatly strengthened by this morning, and but few backers could be found for the other ticket. Bets were freely offered with double odds, but there were few takers, and while the general sentiment in the city was favorable to the election of the Raoul ticket, it was generally conceded that the Alexander ticket was the more certain of election. The polls were open at ten o'clock, and the first man that held the window through which the ballots were cast was General Alexander himself. He drew from his pocket a little book, in which was registered the name of the voter, and for five hours he to the managers busy recording that vote. This was generally known in the city that General Alexander held proxies amounting to over 30 of the 75,000 votes which could possibly be cast. This, itself, threw a damper on the spirits of President Raoul, though many of them claimed that he could not support this ticket.

For an hour the large crowd in the city listened with attention to the calling of names, but soon the monotony wearied and they began to leave, General Alexander still holding his position at the window. The crowd came and went, but the room was crowded during the whole day.

There was a hum of excitement as the name "Green" was called, affl General Alexander proceeded to announce the vote of the widow Green, of New York, 6,400 shares for Alexander. It was generally known that the widow Green's vote would be given to Alexander, but at the same time it was known that it was her vote that elected Raoul and defeated Alexander for the same place four years ago. Her vote recorded, the list proceeded, and by three o'clock Alexander's vote amounted to over 37,500, being a majority of the vote of all the shares of the corporation. Before the majority had been reached, however, the Raoul men conceded the fight over. There were two directors' tickets voted for, the first headed by General Alexander, as follows:

E. W. Green, J. J. Wilder, Henry Blunn, J. G. Garnett, A. E. Mills, C. R. Woods, Abraham Vetsburg, of Savannah; Pat Calhoun, Atlanta; U. B. Harrold, Augusta; C. H. Phinizy, Augusta; H. B. Hollins and Jno. Calhoun, New York.

The other was headed by Captain Raoul, and was as follows:

Jacob Baners, John M. Guerard, W. W. Gordon, George Cornwell, George J. Miles, William Hunter, Abram Minnis, H. M. Comer, J. J. Gresham, S. M. Inman, J. B. Duckworth, George S. Owens.

THE NEW TICKET.

The personnel of the successful ticket is as follows: General Alexander is well known throughout the country as a most prominent and successful railroad man, having been president of the Louisville and Nashville and Georgia railroad, and of the Central railroad system four years ago, being then defeated by Captain Raoul. He is at present one of the capital commissioners of the state, and is recognized as one of the most thorough business men of the state.

Mr. E. W. Green, of Savannah, is a son of the Mr. Charles Green, of Savannah, one of the oldest residents of the place. He is a member of the firm of Charles Green & Co., cotton exporters.

Mr. J. J. Wilder, of the firm of Wilder & Co., cotton exporters, is about forty-five years old, and is the son of John R. Wilder, a former director in the Central railroad.

Mr. Henry Blunn is a broker and private banker of Savannah, and a large property owner, and is about fifty-five years old.

Mr. J. G. Garnett is a member of the firm of Garnett, Stubble & Co., cotton factors, is only about thirty-three years old, but is recognized as one of the most promising young business men of the city.

Mr. A. E. Mills, a well known banker of Savannah, who is about twenty-five years old, is the youngest man on the new board, the new directors, and resigned his position as director in the Savannah Bank and Trust company, to make this fight.

Mr. C. R. Woods is a senior member of the firm of Woods & Co., cotton factors and commission merchants, and is about forty-five years old.

Mr. Abraham Vetsburg, of the firm of Eckstein & Vetsburg, shoes and dry goods merchants of Savannah, is about forty-five years old, and is considered one of the solid business men of the town, as well as one of the most popular and progressive of the large Hebrew population of the city.

Colonel U. B. Harrold forms a part of the well known firm of Harrold, Johnson & Co., of Americus, probably the largest firm of south-west Georgia.

Colonel C. H. Phinizy, of Augusta, is well known as the president of the Georgia railroad and president of the Augusta cotton factory, and one of the most successful business and railroad men of the south.

Mr. Pat Calhoun is one of the prominent

young attorneys of Atlanta, and has made great reputation during the last six months on account of his connection with the Richmond and Danville deal and his interest in the Central railroad fight, which ended so successfully today.

Mr. John C. Calhoun, his brother, was until four years ago, the largest cotton planter on the Mississippi river, next to Richardson. His annual crop averaged from three to four thousand bales. About four years ago he went to New York in the interest of the Arkansas state debt, and since that time has lived there, being interested in the investments of southern securities. His late connections with the late West Point Terminal deal is well-known.

Mr. H. B. Hollins, of New York, is one of the most prominent of New York brokers, having been for a number of years largely identified with the Vanderbilt's, and being now the reputed broker of W. K. Vanderbilt. He is very wealthy, and is only 32 years old.

As will be seen, the new board is composed very largely of young men, all well-known and each a popular and successful business man.

HOW THE FIGHT WAS MADE.

The fight for the control of the Central railroad began about six months ago in New York city. Mr. Pat Calhoun, then talked with General Alexander concerning it, and urged him to make the move. The general expressed his willingness on condition that there was a reasonable probability of success. He talked with his friends about it, and soon determined to make the contest. The first move was to gain control of the stock of Mrs. H. Green, amounting to six thousand and four hundred shares, and the vote of which had defeated him four years ago. Messrs. John C. and Pat Calhoun went to see Mrs. Green concerning her vote, and soon succeeded in buying her stock, paying for it \$127, while it was being sold at par in Georgia. This was a decided nucleus around which to build the fight, and when it was known that this large block would be voted in the interest of General Alexander, it was an easy matter to build it. Messrs. John C. and Pat Calhoun, H. B. Hollins and General Alexander and E. E. Denniston of the firm of E. W. Clarke & Co., of Philadelphia, at once proceeded with an organized effort to gain possession of the majority of the stock, through Jno. C. Mr. Hollins and Mr. Denniston, we were soon at work on the purchase of a sufficient quantity of the stock to insure his election. I was positive of his election weeks ago, because I knew we had all the money we wanted at our back, and if it had been necessary to purchase more stock to accomplish it we could have done so just as easily as we bought what we have."

"Is there any other railroad or corporation back of you?"

"None in the world. That was an idle rumor circulated to injure us, but it has not done so at all. The stock that we purchased, was bought in good faith, and as a good investment. Of course we are at liberty to make combinations with any other road or system that we desire, that will inure to the benefit of the Central railroad, or to the interests of the state. It will be our first aim, and we will make any reasonable transaction that will assist us in this."

"How about the policy of the road towards Atlanta?"

"I recognize that there has been great complaint in my city against the Central railroad,

on this ground, and that its policy has been inimical to its interests. In this connection I will only state that it will be my earnest endeavor, as a director in the road, and as a citizen of Atlanta, to see that every possible advantage will be extended to Atlanta, as will be to all other points in our territory."

HOW THE NEWS IS RECEIVED IN THE CITY.

Great interest is manifested in the city to-night on the result of today's election. Everybody accepts the result graciously, and even the Raoul men say that they have no cause for complaint. They supported their ticket mainly, and made vigorous efforts in its behalf. Everybody is surprised at the wonderful strength of the supporters of Alexander, and the Raoul men attribute his remarkable vote more to the fact that he voted a majority of the stock before he left the polls, than anything else. "We recognize the fact," said Mr. Comer, a Raoul director, "that we are defeated, and will accept it graciously. Of course we did not think it would be as heavy as it is, but of course General Alexander's heavy vote can easily be explained. There is always at this election, a heavy floating vote, which is cast for the ticket which is considered the winning one. General Alexander polled a majority of all the votes before he left. He would have been elected had not another vote been polled. There were several thousand scattering votes in the city, which were cast after the polls, and which naturally drifted to the winning side. We have not a word to say against the new management, and will turn over our offices tomorrow without a word."

There has been no bad feeling on either side.

Captain Raoul expresses practically the same views as those of Mr. Comer. He attributes his vote more to the fact that General Alexander won a majority of the stock before he left the polls.

"My friends," said he, "did not deem it necessary to turn out in force in the afternoon, as they saw that the opposition had already polled a sufficient vote to insure its election. Seven thousand of my votes were those not controlled at all. The election is simply a matter of money. We did not put a dollar in it, and have not bought any stock. We were willing that the stockholders decide for themselves, and left it to them to do. We have nothing to say of the result."

Each of the other directors expresses the same opinion as that expressed by Mr. Comer and Captain Raoul. The best feeling exists among the new and old stockholders, and they are uniting together tonight in a friendly exchange of gossip about the election.

A TALK WITH MR. H. B. HOLLINS.

Mr. H. B. Hollins, of New York, one of the newly elected members of the board, has been in the city for a day or two, and has manifested great interest in the election.

He is a jolly young fellow, not yet thirty years old, is recognized as amongst the foremost of the young brokers of New York, and is very popular in the city of Savannah, and has many strong friends here. In a talk with him tonight, he expresses great satisfaction at the result of the election and says:

"I was induced several months ago to have a talk with Pat and Co. Calhoun, and to enter this fight. I recognized the fact that the Central railroad stock was strong, the best in the country, and I believe that the deal as suggested, was in every way a bono deal to the stockholders of the road. I saw that there was a splendid investment, and went into it with my whole soul. We found no trouble in bringing support to our aid, and had it been necessary we could have gotten as much more as we wanted. I consider the Central railroad

make it more valuable than ever. To do this is necessary for the road to become popular and to receive the support of the section through which it runs. This shall be our first endeavor. We shall help every industrial enterprise in the state, and shall do all in our power to encourage the establishment of new ones, thereby receiving the advantages of a double haul. We shall abandon, as far as possible, the discriminating policy against any town, and shall put them all on an equal and just footing. I believe my board is in thorough sympathy with me in this."

"What will you do about the Goodwater extension?"

"Recognizing this, as we do, as one of the most important feeders of the Central railroad, we shall continue at once its extension to Birmingham, and hope to have it completed at an early date. There was a rumor circulated some time ago that the election of our board meant the defeat of the extension of this branch. Of course it was ridiculous, for we appreciate, as much as anybody, the necessity of this connection with the west."

A TALK WITH MR. CALHOUN.

Pat Calhoun is probably the best known man in Savannah today, and has just cause to be proud of his success. During the last six months he has been one of the most important factors in the great railroad deals, the Richmond and Danville, and that which was concluded today.

In the first he cleared a round sum, and in the second he becomes one of the directors in one of the greatest systems in the south. It is due to him, probably, more than any body else, that the ticket elected today owes its success.

I believe," said he, "six months ago when I came to Savannah in the interest of the candidacy of General Gordon, that the stockholders of the company were dissatisfied with its management, and I had reason to believe that the directors found it to their interest to hold down the value of the stock of the road. I talked with friends here concerning it, and soon met General Alexander, and engaged to have a conference with him in New York. I laid my plans before him, and he agreed to make the fight. With him and my brother, Jno. C. Mr. Hollins and Mr. Denniston, we were soon at work on the purchase of a sufficient quantity of the stock to insure his election. I was positive of his election weeks ago, because I knew we had all the money we wanted at our back, and if it had been necessary to purchase more stock to accomplish it we could have done so just as easily as we bought what we have."

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ALEXANDER TALKS AGAIN.

General Alexander was asked the question tonight as to whether or not his election would cause his resignation from the board of capitol commissioners.

"By no means," said he. "My work on the commission has been one of the proudest of my life, and I shall stick to it until the new capitol building is completed."

General Alexander said also:

"I want to thank the people of Georgia, through THE CONSTITUTION, for their interest and behalf in my ticket, and to the stockholders of the Central railroad who have so earnestly given me their support. I will try to demonstrate my thanks to them in my management of their interests. I am profoundly grateful to them for their efforts in my behalf, and the result of their vote today makes this day the proudest of my life."

C. H.

TOTAL VOTE POLLED.

SAVANNAH, Ga., January 3.—[Special.]—Shortly after three o'clock the Alexander party ceased to vote, having polled 41,125 votes. The polls closed at 8:50, when the total vote polled was 69,329; Alexander 42,100, Raoul 27,229.

In addition to other changes to follow Alexander's election as outlined in Friday's dispatch, it is asserted that J. A. A. West, of Augusta, will be made general freight and passenger agent, vice George A. Whitehead.

THE CENTRAL ROAD ELECTION.

Does It Mean a Combination With the Richmond and Danville?

It is not a violation of confidence to say at this writing that the Richmond and West Point Terminal company, which controls the Richmond and Danville system, has been from the inception of General Alexander's fight for the presidency of the Central railroad, his earnest and potential backer. That some arrangement has been agreed on between General Alexander and the West Point Terminal company cannot be doubted. What this arrangement is the future must develop. It is stated positively that the final result will be a merging of the Richmond and Danville and the Central systems. We cannot vouch for the truth of this statement, but we do know that it will bring those two great systems into close and harmonious relations.

A word may be said as to the position of Mr. S. M. Inman, one of the directors of the Central railroad on the Raoul ticket. Mr. Inman has been repeatedly tendered a place on General Alexander's board, but being associated with Mr. Raoul he declined to take a place in the new board. Had his consent been given, his name would have been on both tickets in yesterday's contest.

PEARL FARM ACCIDENT.

The Cumberland River Bridge on the Cincinnati Southern Demolished.

THE CONSTITUTION received yesterday afternoon, authentic information of a terrible accident on the Cincinnati Southern railroad, near Point Breeze in Kentucky.

The railroad crosses the Cumberland river, near this place, upon a magnificient bridge. Going north, trains dash out of a tunnel to find themselves upon the bridge many feet above the water. The north end of the bridge is curved.

Yesterday morning two heavily loaded freight trains collided on the bridge, just as the engine of the westbound train emerged from the tunnel. The shock caused the bridge to sag at least two feet of the iron structure, and both trains crashed down into the river. It was impossible to learn how many men were killed, but it is presumed nobody on the trains escaped. The officials of the railroad absolutely refused to give any information. One thing, however, is known definitely: the railroad will be closed to traffic for several days. The bridge will have to be partly rebuilt, and on account of the nature of the surroundings this will be difficult. From the month of the tunnel to the river there is a perpendicular walk rock, so that the greatest skill in engineering will be required to overcome this difficulty alone.

THE CONSTITUTION will print the details of the accident tomorrow.

Colored Missionaries to Africa.

NEW YORK, January 3.—Five colored Baptists from the South, J. J. Coles and Mrs. Coles of Richmond, Va., Rev. E. B. Turner, Mrs. Tom Jackson, Miss, and Rev. J. J. Dugay, of Shreveport, Miss. They were sent by the Southern Colored Baptist foreign missions conference, and their mission will be among the negroes in west central Africa.

HEADLIGHT FLASHES.

Attorney-General Anderson has gone to New Orleans to represent the state in the case of the Pullman Palace Car Company vs. Wm. A. Wright, controller of railroads of Georgia. The case will be tried in the Superior Court of Fulton County, Hon. G. A. Lorraine will represent the plaintiff.

We expect that the legislative week in the house of representatives will be occupied in the discussion of appropriation bills and the measure reported from the committee on agriculture, providing for the erection of a department of agriculture and labor. There are four appropriation bills now upon the calendar—the Indian, military academy, diplomatic and consular and pension. None of these measures is likely to give rise to extended debate except possibly, the diplomatic and consular bill. Owing to its radical change as compared with former bills and its increased

appropriation, this measure may become an object of attack. Nearly all of the measures which have been made special orders are likely to be pressed for action at the first opportunity that may offer when the house is not engaged in the consideration of appropriation bills. In addition to the bill for the reorganization of the department of agriculture and labor, already mentioned, this list includes the Dunn free ship bill, Pacific railroad funding bill, Oklahoma bill and the bill for the reorganization of the navy department. Towards the latter part of the week it is expected that the conference on the electoral count bill will report on its final action and request the house to take final action, which will probably be granted.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

The Vanderbilts Contribute to the Logan Fund.—The President's Health.

WASHINGTON, January 3.—[Special.]—Colonel Charles Phinizy probably to be Shoved Over-The Rush for Precedence—The Jewish Angel—George T. Martin's Marriage—Other Capital Guests.

CHARLES PHINIZY TALKS.

## CHANGING HANDS.

THE CITY GOVERNMENT PASSES  
INTO NEW HANDS.

**MAYOR HILLER CALLS THE OLD TO ORDER, AND AFTER THE BUSINESS IS TRANSMITTED, DELIVERS HIS Valedictory—MR. COOPER CALLS THE NEW BODY TO ORDER AND DELIVERS HIS INAUGURAL.**

The general council of 1886 was dissolved last night and the general council of 1887 was sworn in and organized.

There were two meetings of the body yesterday.

The first meeting was in the afternoon, participated in exclusively by the council of 1886.

During the meeting the regular business was transacted. The second meeting was after dark, and was attended by all the old council except Mr. Beale, and all of the members-elect of the body subsequently sworn in. During the meeting Mr. Hiller read his valedictory, after which the old council adjourned. Mr. Cooper, then qualified as mayor of the city, and the new body was organized.

## THE ATTORNEY'S SPEECH.

The full membership was present at 3 o'clock in the afternoon when Mayor Hiller called the body to order.

Mayor Hiller presented a letter showing the correspondence that had taken place between him and the commissioners relating to the technical school fund. After the correspondence had been read the mayor stated that he had laid before the body so that the facts might be attainable by the new council when the sale of the stock took place.

"I move that the bids for that stock be opened now," said Mr. Stockwell, at the conclusion of the reading.

"I think we had better postpone the matter," said Mr. Gramling. "The bids are here and it is not certain whether they are valid or not. Let us defer the offers they have made. I think we had better wait until the attorney general submits his decision."

"I move," said Mr. Angier, "that the bids remain as they stand until the next meeting of the council."

"And I second that motion," said Mr. Garrett.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Rice introduced a resolution putting electric lights at the Main Street railroad crossing, at the Pender Street railroads, at the corner of Hunter and Broad streets, and at the corner of Pryor and Decatur streets.

The poultry and bench show sent in a petition for a free license and was granted, and requesting that they be allowed to put up signs. The paper also extended an invitation to the mayor and general council.

The police committee recommended that Patrolman Wright, who has been disabled by a knife wound, be compensated on the pay-roll of the police department.

The resolution was adopted.

An ordinance declaring that when a wine-room shall sell, or keep for sale liquors, shall subject the licensee to a forfeiture, was read and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED.

Mr. R. J. Griffin for damages to lot corner Church and Spring street, caused by grading. Referred to street committee.

O. J. R. Carberry and others objecting to the manner in which the sidewalks on Smith street have been repaired. Referred to street committee.

Mr. J. M. Bates for renewal of free license to sell groceries at No. 220 Decatur street. Referred to street committee.

Mr. C. W. Harman for a free license to peddle apples, fruit, etc. Referred to relief committee.

Of Jacob Elias for Belgian blocks on Garnett street, from Mitchell to Peters street. Referred to street committee.

The balance sheet showed the balance of the annual apportionment on hand to be \$85,563.86.

## RESOLUTIONS OF COMMITTEES.

The sewer committee reported favorably upon the extension of the Walter Branch sewer from Hunnicut street at a cost of \$5,000.

Mr. Cooper moved to adopt the report, provided the sewer be not built under the school of technology located in that neighborhood.

The motion was carried favorably upon.

Petition of W. A. Hempill to build a coal bin in the alley in the rear of THE CONSTITUTION building. Also a petition upon the part of the American Fire Protection Company to excavate a hole under the sidewalk and street to place engine to heat the building. Adopted.

The finance pay-roll of audited accounts was \$23,811.70.

## RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Angier—that the tax sale of the property of Sam Angier for \$22.15 be postponed.

By Mr. Kirkpatrick—that eight dollars deducted from poor W. S. Welch, watchman of waterworks, be paid him. Adopted.

By Mr. Cooper—that \$200 be paid the Ladies' Memorial association for the year 1885.

By Mr. Angier—that the police be held responsible whose licensees have expired or shall expire before the next meeting, be allowed to continue under their present license until they can present a new and properly executed bond and the council finally act thereon. Adopted.

The following applications for renewal of wine-license were read and referred to the police committee:

A. Gibson, West Peter street.

John Blount, 142 Marietta street.

A. R. Dunforth, 140 Marietta street.

W. L. Alabamian, 140 Marietta street.

C. P. Johnson, 50 Decatur street.

Spraberry & Minor, 111 Decatur street.

Spraberry & Minor, 140 Marietta street.

Kenny & Werner, Markham house.

Kenney & Werner, 7 East Alabama street.

C. C. Howell, 140 Marietta street.

Albie Howard, 19 Collins street.

Albert Staub, 12 and 14 Whitehall street.

R. Marion, 241 Marietta street.

Willard & Barnes, 50 Peachtree street.

Wallace & Barnes, 52 Peachtree street.

John A. Parbs, 50 Marietta street.

Thomas J. Martin, 61 East Alabama street.

L. B. Martin, 140 Marietta street.

The mayor announced that the annual reports of standing committees and city officers was in order.

The report of the officials came next. The chief of police was first-hand.

## THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The report of Chief Connolly for the year covered the work done under his superintendence. It shows that \$5,075.70 had been made during the year that \$28,172.50 had been derived from police court in fines and work; that \$15,762.17 in police had been paid into the treasury through the police department, that the expense of the department including \$800 spent for horses and patrol work the year was \$40,275.90.

## THE CITY ENGINEERS.

The annual report of the city engineer, Mr. R. M. Clayton, showed the work done under his supervision during the year. It covered the street, sewer and sidewalk and other expenses thereof.

## THE CITY SIXTON.

W. A. Bonnell, city sexton, made an annual report, showing that 423 burials in Oakland cemetery had taken place during the year, and that \$521 had been collected for the same. The report gave the deaths by the month and color.

## THE PARK COMMISSION.

Hon. Sydney Root, president of the park commission, sent a report, minutely detailing the great amount of work done at the L. C. Grant park during the year.

## THE TAX COLLECTOR.

The annual report of the city tax collector, Major D. A. Cook, showed that \$31,268,420 was the total amount of taxable property, and that the total tax on the year was \$1,158,400.

## THE CITY MARSHAL.

Mr. James Loyd, city marshal, stated in his report that he had turned over to the city clerk during the year.

## THE AUDITOR AND RECORDER.

The report of Judge James A. Anderson, auditor and recorder, was a complete and thorough report, covering his work as auditor and recorder carefully, and showed all the details in good standing with the records and decisions that the recorder court had been reduced greatly since his appointment.

## THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

W. R. Joyner, while the fire department submitted a formal statement, did not make a report for the year 1886.

The report showed that the city had fire and twenty-two alarms had been sent in during the year, a longer number than ever before. The report was well made, and forty-five fires were false alarms in eighteen one alarm fires were confined in one building, and in six alarm fires spread to more than one building. The interest of the report is that the buildings had been totally destroyed, and that they were all out of reach of water; that damage over \$200,000 occurred at nine fires, the largest being \$100,000, and that damage between \$100 and \$500 occurred at seventeen fires. One of the fires had a total value of \$100,000, but it is believed that the value of buildings and contents where the fire occurred was \$1,273,405. The insurance on the same was \$762,900, and the damage was \$33,131. The total amount of the insurance and the total \$34,345. The total expense of the department during the year was \$34,764.99.

## THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The board of health sent in a very lengthy report, giving the various conditions of the city, the work done during the year, and containing suggestions for future years.

## THE BUILDING INSPECTORS.

The building inspectors laid before the com-

the work of the past year with them.

THE BENEFICIARY HOME.

Dr. Tucker, president of the board of trustees, the benevolent home read the annual report of the board. It was the duty of the board to report madated, during the year, two hundred and eighty-six persons; had provided one hundred and eighty-six meals to residents and sixty-seven beds. During the year there were deaths and seven births had occurred at the home and two children had been given away.

THE CITY TREASURER.

City attorney presented a financial report showing in detail cases disposed of by trial and settlement, the aggregate of amounts claimed in this class being \$211,331.95; and the recoveries by verdicts and amounts paid in settlements on same aggregating \$76,100. The report shows that trials and settlements of claims aggregating over \$20,000 included among the suits commonly known as "water works."

THE WATER WORKS.

The board of water works transmitted an interesting report showing the improvement made and arranged for during the past year.

THE CLERK'S REPORT.

The clerk, J. H. Goldsmith, submitted a report showing the money received and the manner in which it was disposed of.

THE TREASURER.

The treasurer, R. M. Farrar, sent in a sheet showing money received and the manner in which it was disposed of.

THE WARD PHYSICIANS.

The ward physicians all submitted annual reports.

Mr. Garrett introduced a resolution expressing the thanks of the body to Mayor Hiller for his fair, impartial rulings and decisions. The resolution was carried.

Every member of the retiring element was there.

Every member of the holding-over element was there.

Every member-elect was there.

THE NIGHT SESSION.

The night session was largely attended. A large number of Atlanta's best citizens were present to see the old body go out and the new one come in. The gavel was there on the eve of surrendering the gavel, was there.

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INDICATIONS for Atlanta, Fair taken at 1 o'clock a.m.: WARM

Fair weather, slightly warmer.

Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Louisiana and Tennessee: fair weather; southerly winds; warmer.

The report printed elsewhere of the election in Savannah, of Central railroad directors, covers the proceedings just as fully as if the event had happened in Atlanta. In this way THE CONSTITUTION shows its determination to give the people the news regardless of cost or distance.

Major Hillyer's Administration.

We are sure our readers will appreciate the full space given this morning to Major Hillyer's admirable address. To Atlantians it is the record intelligently related, and commented on, of the most prosperous two years in the city's history. To our readers elsewhere it is the record, full of significance and suggestion, of the faultless administration of the affairs of a great and growing city, which all may read with profit.

Major Hillyer has given Atlanta just what Governor McDaniel gave Georgia, a wise administration. There is little that is sensational in either. Both are wise, prudent and admirable in every detail. Major Hillyer's administration has been so quiet and uneventful—"happy is the land without annals"—that those who have not closely studied it will be amazed at the amount of work accomplished during its two years. The city has grown from a point of view. Every department has been fully maintained. Miles and miles of our streets have been paved, and many times more miles of sidewalks laid. Our fire department has been strengthened. The public schools have been increased in equipment, new buildings and additional teachers. Everything has been carried on in good style and Major Hillyer's administration draws to a close with all the surplus required by law and \$41,000 cash in bank.

The efforts of Major Hillyer to achieve this surprising and gratifying result have been worthily abetted by the city council. Indeed, much of the success of his administration is due to his wisdom in selecting officers for his various committees. More of it is due to his sleepless vigilance, his single-hearted devotion to the city's interests, his thoughtful study of city affairs and his unwavering integrity of purpose and action. Atlanta owes him a debt of gratitude, the extent of which will become plain as his retiring message to the council is read and studied. The incoming administration is capable, earnest and honest. It has an admirable pattern set for its work, and happy will it be, and fortunate will Atlanta be, if in all things it equals the administration that has just closed and that will make Major Hillyer's two-years' term in office a memorable period in the history of the city.

General Alexander's Election.

As was predicted in our dispatches from New York ten days ago, General Alexander was on yesterday elected president of the Central railroad, by a very decided majority.

There is little room for comment on this election. Atlanta has never enjoyed the favor of the Central railroad under any of its administrations. What she has been able to get from that road, she has had from a grudging hand and has won by her enterprise and energy. Consequently her interest in the late contest has been lukewarm, if not indifferent. The situation, as far as she was concerned, was about summed up in these words, "We can't be hurt if Raoul is beaten, and we may be helped."

The CONSTITUTION has, of course, no criticism to make on Mr. Raoul's administration, and no complaint. He is a man of ability and integrity. He has undoubtedly done his duty as he understood it. If his vision has not been broad enough to bring Atlanta within the scope of his obligations as the manager of a public enterprise, the narrowness of his vision is to blame and not any imperfect execution of what he thought was right. It is to be hoped that General Alexander will see things differently and will not be impressed with the necessity of taking cotton from Atlanta's very gates and forcing it to Savannah in defiance of the laws of trade and commerce. We are not advised fully as to what General Alexander's intentions are, but from frequent conversations with him prior to his election, we are satisfied that Atlanta will be the gainer by yesterday's election. The combinations to which the Central system will in future be committed, if not already pledged, will of themselves make Atlanta a more important point in the joint systems, than it has been as an outlying town on the northern edge. We wish Mr. Raoul a long and successful life in whatever he undertakes, and to General Alexander an administration of the vast property committed to his care, that will justify the promises he and his friends have made to the stockholders and the public.

Cotton Facts and Figures.

The reports of the New York Financial Chronicle shows that for the week ending Friday, December 31, the total receipts have reached 336,618 bales, against 283,454 bales last week, 260,659 bales the previous week and 227,886 bales three weeks since; making the total receipts since the 1st of September, 1886, 3,755,798 bales, against 3,607,342 bales for the same period of 1885, showing an increase since September 1, 1886, of 148,556 bales. The exports for the week ending December 31 reach a total of 166,931 bales, of which 96,520 were to Great Britain, 36,116 to France and 33,759 to the rest of the continent.

The imports into continental ports last week were 78,000 bales. These figures indicate an increase in the cotton in sight Friday night of 166,135 bales as compared with the same date of 1885, an increase of 130,608 bales as compared with the corresponding date of 1884, and a decrease of 210,810 bales as compared with 1883.

The total receipts from the plantations since September 1, 1886, were 4,151,303 bales; in 1885 were 4,134,949 bales; in 1884 were 4,023,789 bales. Although the receipts at the outports the last week were 236,618 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 246,649 bales, the balance going to increase the stocks at the interior towns. Last year the receipts from the plantations for the same week were 212,090 bales and for 1884 they were 140,043 bales. The old interior stocks have increased during the week 6,574 bales and are tonight 103,856 bales less than at the same period last year. The receipts at the same towns have been 2,719 bales less than the same week last year, and since September 1 the receipts at all the towns are 9,472 bales less than for the same time in 1885-86.

Bombay appears to show an increase compared with the last year in the week's receipts of 14,000 bales, and a decrease in shipments of 5,000 bales, and the shipments since January 1 show an increase of 327,000 bales. The movement from ports other than Bombay is 8,000 more than same week last year.

The Chronicle says that the speculation in cotton for future delivery in New York has been quiet for the week under review, as is usually the case at the holiday season. The Liverpool exchange remained closed on Monday and business there was very dull, prices showing very little change, and yet rather firm.

On Tuesday morning there was a sharp decline in sympathy with European advices, but on Wednesday a full recovery took place, the Liverpool report coming unexpectedly strong, and the stocks in leading American markets footing up smaller than last year, notwithstanding the freer movement of the crop. Thursday there was a further advance, in response to a better Liverpool report, which alarmed the bears and caused an active buying to cover contracts. The best prices of the day were not sustained, however. Friday there was a weak opening, under the dull foreign advices, but an advance followed, when the smaller interior movement became apparent, and the close was dearer. The total sales for forward delivery for the week are 332,900 bales. For immediate delivery the sales foot up this week 1,313 bales.

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Three Opinions.

ANSWER TO A CRITIC.

From the New Orleans Picayune.

The Advertiser Advised says: "The courage with which you have taken up this question from the question whether the south is in fact faithful to the constitutional guarantee of equal rights to the question whether the north is not disloyal in suspecting the south of cheating in elections, has provoked a great wave of southern admiration. There it is, seems southern journals which think that the north is not even equal to a reward for the delinquent orator. But we can assure our southern friends that Mr. Grady's speech has not changed the question which northern men, who believe with all their hearts that equal rights under the law are the fundamental condition of republican independence, do not like to discuss."

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## THE SAME OLD STORY

OF THE CHRISTMAS PISTOL AND  
THE SMALL BOY.

Charles Johnson Dies of Lockjaw in Macon.—An Old  
Editor Very Ill—Other Interesting News  
From the Central City—Etc., Etc.

MACON, Ga., January 3.—[Special.]—Today  
news came from East Macon that a boy had  
died there under strange circumstances. Coroner Hodnett, the reporter said, a number of  
gentlemen visited the scene, and found that the  
boy had died of tetanus resulting from a wound  
inflicted in the right hand by a pistol. Christ-  
mas day the boy was firing blank cartridges,  
and the pistol exploded prematurely, driving  
the point of a shell into his hand, between the  
third and fourth fingers. The wound was not  
thought dangerous, and the swelling soon sub-  
sided. His mother put a plaster on the wound  
which drew pretty strongly, and the boy  
picked out the largest piece of the shell. Last  
Saturday he began to exhibit symptoms of  
tetanus, and while complaining of hunger, was  
unable to take any nourishment. Water was  
introduced into his mouth a drop at a time,  
but the rigidity of the muscles increased, and  
he died at 12:30 P.M. The boy's life had been  
spent in constant pain. The case was rather peculiar, but the  
coroner decided that it was useless to hold an  
inquest, and the party returned to the city.

## THE MACON POSTOFFICE.

Colonel Hardeman and His Efficient Corps  
of Employees.

MACON, Ga., January 3.—[Special.]—A visit  
to the postoffice at the beginning of the new  
year was not without interest to your corre-  
spondent.

Colonel Thomas Hardeman, "bluff Tom Har-  
demann," as he has been so long and familiarly known,  
is great tycoon of the establishment.

Colonel Hardeman is an old stager in  
politics, and has served his

people long and faithfully. He has been  
speaker of the house of representatives of his  
state, was a congressman prior to the war, and  
was elected congressman at large after the census of 1880. Finally, on October 22d, 1883, he  
was appointed postmaster of Macon, which re-  
quires no action he has since held to the  
best satisfaction of all concerned. He is  
honest and hearty, and tells a joke with all his  
old time zest.

Captain R. W. Bonner is assistant postmaster  
and registry clerk. Captain Bonner has been  
quite ill for several weeks, but is said to be improv-  
ing. A. G. Simmons, son of Judge G. T. Simmon, is his assistant, and is now in charge of  
the office.

Mr. Hal Brimberry, a thoroughly capable  
young man, has been in charge of the money  
order department since the death of M. J. Baer,  
and has filled this responsible position with  
entire satisfaction. He is one of the best pos-  
taged young men in the country on postoffice mat-  
ters.

Ross Bawdry has charge of the delivery wind-  
dow, and is a reliable member of the carriers. He  
is also a young man of fine business capacity.  
Joe Brown Kerr is his assistant.

A. D. Clarke, assisted by C. J. Booth, attends to the mailing department, which is one of the  
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white, No. 10, night carrier in the fire units.  
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Showing the arrival and departure of all trains from the city. Central time.

ARRIVE.	DEPART.
Day Express from S'p'l & Fr.	6 a.m.
Fast Express—VIRGINIA & GEORGIA R. E. Florida Express, south.	6 a.m.
Rome Express. From Atlanta, 11 a.m.	12 m.
Chi. & Mem. Ex. from north, No. 11, 11 55 a.m.	12 m.
Day Express from north, 10 a.m.	12 m.
Day Ex. from Jacksonville and Brunswick, No. 16. 12 25 p.m.	12 m.
Fast Express South for Savannah and Florida No. 13. 3 30 p.m.	

PIEDMONT AIR-LINE.  
RICHMOND, DANVILLE, FORT.

New York fast mail arrives daily 10 a.m. 7 40 p.m.

New York Linn's Express arrives daily 9 a.m. 6 30 p.m.

W. I. A. Linn's Express arrives daily 10 a.m. 6 30 p.m.

Linn's Express 4 30 p.m.

CENTRAL RAILROAD.

From Macon 12 15 a.m. To Macon... 3 00 a.m.

" Savannah 2 25 a.m. To Savannah... 6 35 a.m.

" Atlanta 11 05 a.m. To Atlanta... 4 40 p.m.

" Chattanooga 1 15 p.m. To Chattanooga... 5 15 p.m.

" Savannah 9 00 p.m. To Savannah... 6 50 p.m.

WESTERN AND ATLANTIC RAILROAD.

From Chatta 2 15 a.m. To Chatta 7 50 a.m.

" Marietta 8 35 a.m. To Rome... 3 45 p.m.

" Rome 11 05 a.m. To Marietta... 4 40 p.m.

" Chattanooga 1 15 p.m. To Chattanooga... 5 15 p.m.

" Augusta 7 30 p.m. To Augusta... 7 30 p.m.

ATLANTA AND WEST POINT RAILROAD.

From M'Grove's 2 10 a.m. To M'Grove's... 1 20 p.m.

" LaGrange 9 37 a.m. To LaGrange... 5 05 p.m.

" M'Grove's 12 12 a.m. To M'Grove's... 12 20 p.m.

GEORGIA RAILROAD.

From Augusta 6 40 a.m. To Augusta... 8 00 a.m.

" Covington 7 55 a.m. To Decatur... 9 00 a.m.

" Dalton 10 15 a.m. To Dalton... 12 10 p.m.

" Atlanta 12 20 p.m. To Covington... 6 10 p.m.

" Augusta 7 30 p.m. To Augusta... 7 30 p.m.

GEORGIA PACIFIC RAILWAY.

From Birg'm' 6 20 a.m. To Birg'm'... 10 45 a.m.

" Birg'm' 6 20 p.m. To Birg'm'... 6 05 p.m.

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## THE CONSTITUTION.

### EVENTS FOR TODAY.

### ON TRIAL FOR HIS LIFE. A JURY EMANELLED IN THE JONES MURDER CASE.

The Defendant's Wife and Child Sit By His Side During the Preliminary Proceedings After Standing Aside Seventy-Eight Jurors the Panel is Completed, Etc.

Long before the doors of the courthouse were opened yesterday morning people began thronging the corridors of the building. The announcement that the Jones murder trial would begin was the cause of the unusual rush. In the crowd which filled the courtroom all classes of society were represented. The lawyers were present in large numbers. Soon after the court opened R. L. Jones, the accused murderer of Frank P. Gray, walked into the room. His face was a look of subdued cheerfulness or hopeful resignation, his wife and his little child, besides dozens of friends. He took a seat close by his lawyers, and during the proceedings he and they frequently whispered with each other. He was dressed in a neat suit of light colored clothes presenting a decidedly presentable look. Apparently the defendant is about 25 years of age. He is by no means a vicious looking man. His face was clean and the expression of his eyes was commendable. There was nothing in his deportment evincing fear. Apparently, he relied implicitly upon the justness of his cause and the ability and skill of the counsel. He is defended by five lawyers of exceptional strength, who will undoubtedly make the most of his case. They are Rufus T. Dorse, Albert Cox, G. A. Howell, A. C. Culberson and H. C. Clegg. The state is represented by the solicitor-General C. D. H. assisted by W. D. Ellis and James E. Gray, a brother of Jones's victim. The prosecution will strain every nerve to secure a conviction, while the defense will be not less earnest in its endeavor to obtain a verdict of "not guilty."

FOR THE STATE UNIVERSITY.—Yesterday the governor signed the law which will cause the state university. The first was \$5,000, the semi-annual interest on the state's certificates of indebtedness from one to seventeen inclusive. The second was for \$3,157.07, semi-annual interest on the land grant fund. The third was for \$5,000, the regular annual appropriation. The three sums netted to the university a total of \$30,082.07.

IS IT SMALLPOX?—Yesterday the governor received a telegram from Mr. E. Dillard, Resaca, requesting him to send to Tilton eighteen quills of varius virus at once. The governor telegraphed that the ordinary of Whitfield county would be furnished with the virus. It may not be learned whether or not money has been sent to Tilton. Passengers who arrived in the city by the Western and Atlantic railroad last night said that they heard no rumor of the disease at that place.

IS IT BUTTER OR OLEOMARGARINE?—A few days ago THE CONSTITUTION gave an account of the seizure of 1000 bags of butter which had been taken from a wagon. When the clerk read the indictment, which charged that on the 10th day of May, 1886, R. L. Jones, the prisoner at the bar, murdered Frank P. Gray.

The work of empanelling a jury then began. One after another juror was called to be sworn and subjected to the voir dire test. Many were stood aside for cause and others rejected either by the state or the defendant. The state had exhausted its strikes by objecting to ten jurors.

At 11, the defense objected to fourteen jurors. Sixty-four of those put upon their voir dire were disqualified for serving and required to stand aside. Altogether six and a half panels or 78 jurymen were rejected. Finally the following twelve good and true men were selected, who are to pass upon the life or the death of the accused:

Charles R. Wats, William M. Rice, George W. McDuffie, W. C. Cox, Wm. Williams, M. M. Mauck.

All the above are white men of intelligence and respectable, constituting what is regarded as a model jury. The work of empanelling a jury took the time of the court until 3:30 o'clock when it adjourned to meet this morning at 9 o'clock.

Almost everybody in Atlanta recalls the particulars of the Jones-Gray difficulty, which resulted in the killing of the latter. It happened Sunday afternoon, May 16th, of last year. The two men met in the street and had some words about a cow belonging to Gray. Jones, who was a black man, struck Gray in the head with a stone. Gray fell to the ground. Jones shot Gray, who died within an hour. The homicide produced intense excitement throughout the city. Jones gave himself up and was incarcerated in Fulton county jail. At the spring term of court, held a few weeks after the tragedy, a trial was returned by the grand jury.

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A fire on Butler Street, near the Atlanta Medical College, last night.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

Good Attendance and Interesting Addresses.

Today's Programme.

The week of prayer opened yesterday with an interesting and largely attended meeting in the lecture room of the First Methodist church. The services began at 3:30 o'clock. The Rev. W. W. Wadsworth, presiding elder of the south Atlanta district, was chairman of the meeting, and read as the lesson Psalm xxi. His address covered the field presented by the Evangelical Alliance. He spoke of the reasons for praise, specializing the growth of the Holy Spirit in the soul; the need of personal salvation; the importance of the demonstration of love near to each other. The spirit has led all Christians to more intense zeal for souls at home and abroad.

He spoke of the importance of the union, so that the cause of Christ is being preached in every land. The address made a fine impression.

After a beautiful prayer by Judge Jackson, Dr. E. H. Barnett spoke of the importance of the life of a Christian. Only one Psalm has no note of praise. Christ lived a life full of joy and praise. Paul and Silas praised God even in the Phillipian jail. All through the Scripture there is a tone of praise. A Christian not only has a right to be happy, but must be happy. We ought to thank God for this.

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